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SUBJ: GABON TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ALGERIA AND UAR

REF: LIBREVILLE A-006 OF JANUARY 31, 1973 (NOTAL)

1. GOG FOREIGN MINISTER RAWIRI INFORMED AMBASSADOR
" IN CONFIDENCE" FEBRUARY 27 THAT GOG PLANNING ESTABLISH
DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ALGERIA AND UAR IN NEAR
FUTURE.
2. RAWIRI SAID THAT BUDGET LIMITATIONS PRECLUDED GABON
FROM OPENING UP MISSIONS IN THESE COUNTRIES BUT HE
EXPECTED BOTH ALGERIA AND UAR WOULD BE SENDING AMBASSADORS
HERE.
3. GOG CONTEMPLATED ACTION CONTRADICTS INSURANCES
GIVEN EARLIER TO ISRAELI AMBASSADOR THAT ABON INTENDED
OPEN UP CONTACTS ONLY WITH CONSERVATIVE ARAB STATES
(REFAIR). MOVES COME AS NO REAL SURPRISE, HOWEVER,
GIVEN GENERAL TREND IN AFRICA AND GABON' S INCREASING
SEARCH FOR MORE DIVERSIFIED OPTIONS.
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